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Docket No.: <u>0769-4582US1</u>

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Group Art Unit: 1700

BAHAR, et al.

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For: ULTRA-THIN INTEGRAL COMPOSITE MEMBRANE

Assistant Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application prior to examination on the merits as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 5, line 26, kindly delete the phrase "catalyst support in" and insert in lieu thereof --

medium of--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel all the pending claims and substitute therefor the following new claims:

--100. An integral air impermeable composite membrane comprising:

a polymeric support having a microstructure of micropores, said microstructure defining a

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